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### Mission Statement

The Aquarium of the Pacific's mission is to instill a sense of wonder, respect, and stewardship for the Pacific Ocean, its inhabitants, and ecosystems. Our vision is to create the first aquarium in the world dedicated to conserving and building Natural Capital (nature and nature's services) by building Social Capital (the interactions between among people.) The aquarium displays over 11,000 animals in more than 50 exhibits, and offers educational programs for people of all ages from hands on activities to lectures from leading scientists.

# Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific

## What makes the Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific a Recognized Green Business

Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific demonstrates green business practices in all of the six areas required in the Long Beach Green Business Recognition program.



- Thorough the implementation of recycling practices, including recycling infrastructure for glass, metal, newspaper, and printer cartridges
- Composting system on site to handle cafeteria food waste
- Use of biodegradable kitchenware and reusable plastic trays



- Participated in an energy audit from SCE
- Use of motion sensors and lighting controls
- Implementation of skylights in exhibits, thereby reducing the amount of lighting fixtures needed
- Solar panel installations are utilized in selected locations



- Installation of drought tolerant plants at select locations
- Participated in a water audit from Long Beach Water Department
- Earth Friendly Garden featured on the entrance main lawn area



- Extensive use of green building materials, such as reused concrete
- Purchasing green cleaning products in bulk that are concentrated
- Sustainable seafood is purchased for both humans and animals whenever possible



- Encouraging the use of alternative transportation for employees
- Offers incentive or reimbursement for employees who take public transportation or bike to work



- Incorporation of green items into performance appraisals, job descriptions, and employee orientation training.
- Participation in local green events, such as coastal clean ups and earth day events



SUSTAINABLE  
LONG BEACH

HISTORIC PAST

INNOVATIVE PRESENT

SUSTAINABLE FUTURE